

- (iii) Four.
- (iv) No question of loss or gain arises here.
- (v) No answer is necessary.
- (vi) Yes.
- (vii) Yes, if they are eligible for it.
- (viii) The Conservator of Forests can only grant leave.

Lapse of Panchayat allotments.

173. Mr. C. A. Kunjunni Raja.—(a) Will the Government be pleased to lay on the table a list of items sanctioned in the budget for Panchayats which lapsed for non-execution in 1105 showing the amount sanctioned and the reason for the lapse in each case and how such amounts were utilised by the department ;

(b) amount of items sanctioned in the budget which were transferred to other items ?

Mr. I. Raman Menon.—(a) The list is placed along with the answer to question No. 174. The reasons for the lapses are several. To quote these definitely a reference to the various files, &c., is necessary which will involve much delay and trouble. Some of the general causes are (1) want of prompt and timely action on the part of the Panchayats, (2) Land Acquisition Proceedings were not completed, (3) unusually heavy and early rains. In a few cases the causes are given in the remarks column of the list.

(b) Out of the total amount of Rs. 35,576 that was thus available on account of non-execution of works, a sum of Rs. 27,221—13—7 was transferred to other items not budgetted for the year.

Mr. C. A. Kunjunni Raja.—May I know how many items there were in the budget of the Panchayat during that year ?

Mr. I. Raman Menon.—About 700 to 800, I think.

Mr. C. A. Kunjunni Raja.—120 items have not been attended to and the reasons of only a few are given in this list.

Mr. I. Raman Menon.—All the available information has been given in the list.

Mr. C. A. Kunjunni Raja.—Even With regard to other items, any reasons ?

Mr. I. Raman Menon.—As soon as possible.

174. Mr. V. Achyuta Menon.—(a) what amount was sanctioned for execution of works under the Panchayat Department in 1105 ;

(b) how much of this lapsed at the close of the year ;

(c) why any amount was allowed to lapse ;

(d) whether it will cause a list of the sanctioned works that could not be executed in 1105 to be placed on the table of this House?

Mr. I. Raman Menon.—(a) Rs. 1,51,609

(b) Rs. 3,177 lapsed and sanctioned works to the extent of Rs. 35,576 were not executed in the year.

(c) There are several reasons for the lapse. Please vide answer to question No. 173.

(d) The list is placed on the table.

Mr. V. Achyuta Menon.—Sub-division (d), Will the Government be pleased to state whether any of the works was started in 1105?

Mr. I. Raman Menon.—Yes, some works were started and could not be completed.

Mr. V. Achyuta Menon.—Whether any works are taken up this year?

Mr. I. Raman Menon.—The unfinished are being completed.

175. Mr. T. A. Ramachandra Ayyar.—Will the Government be pleased to place on the table the several items sanctioned in the budget for Panchayats in 1105 that lapsed for non-execution showing the amount sanctioned and how those amounts were utilised by the department and the special reasons for non-execution?

Mr. I. Raman Menon.—The list is placed on the table, along with answers to question No. 174. For reasons for non-execution, please vide answer to question 173.

Departmental execution of works in P. W. D.

176. Mr. T. A. Ramachandra Ayyar.—Will the Government be pleased to state the names of works done departmentally by the Public Works Department from 1100 to 1105 and the amount spent on each of these works; who check-measured these works?

Mr. V. K. Aravindaksha Menon.—A list showing the details is appended (*Appendix VIII*).

Cattle grazing grounds.

177. Mr. V. Achyuta Menon.—Will the Government be pleased to state,—

(a) how many towns, villages, or groups of villages there are in this State which have no cattle-grazing grounds;

(b) whether it will place on the table an up-to-date list of cattle-grazing grounds in the State;